

**IIB-R ©****REGULATION****CLASS SIZE****(Special Education)****Teacher-Student Ratios and Staff- Student Ratios**

It is the intent of the District to maintain a special education teacher-student ratio that will allow the teacher to work effectively and efficiently toward the individualized education program (IEP) objectives of each student with a disability and to work with classroom teachers to prevent learning problems whenever possible.

The goals for teacher-student ratios shall be as follows:

CATEGORY	GOAL
<i>Resource</i>	
1.0 FTE teacher (average)	12 - 15 students with disabilities
<i>Speech/language resource</i>	
1.0 FTE teacher (average)	40 - 50 direct service students (approximately 75% students with disabilities and 25% remedial)
<i>Resource itinerant for sensory, hearing, and vision impaired students</i>	
(average)	5 - 12 students
<i>Mild to moderate intellectual disability</i>	
1.0 FTE teacher and 1.0 fte aide (average)	7 - 9 students
<i>Severe intellectual disability</i>	
1.0 FTE teacher and 1.0 fte aide (average)	2 - 4 students

If the number of students exceeds the goal for a class, acceptable alternatives may include, but are not limited to:

- A. Addition of a teacher's aide.

- B. Increasing an aide's hours.
- C. Reassigning students to a different teacher.
- D. Adding a teacher.
- E. Other adjustments acceptable to the Superintendent and the Board.

The administrator for special education shall make student assignments within the resources available, based upon the goals listed above.

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